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SUBJECT: EXBS-JORDAN ADVISOR MONTHLY REPORTING CABLE JANAUARY 2006

I. SUMMARY. EXBS Advisor participated in program consultations in Washington D.C. during this month. These focused on current and future EXBS plans for Jordan and the region. EXBS Advisor coordinated with U.S. Departments of Commerce (DOC), Energy (DOE), and State (DOS) to finalize scheduling for Jordan-related EXBS events through the spring of 2006. DOE will host a Technical Nuclear Export Control Workshop in Amman, February 27 to March 1, 2006. The DOE MEGAPORTS and `CORE'/Second Line of Defense Assessment Team plans to visit Jordan during the spring 2006. END SUMMARY.

II. ITEMS OF BROAD INTEREST. None.

III. COMPLETED ACTIONS FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD.

A. SITE ASSESSMENTS, MEETINGS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES DURING REPORTING PERIOD.

1. On January 4-6, EXBS Advisor completed a program Consultation Visit to Washington D.C. to discuss country and regional plans with representatives of the EXBS interagency working group. The following is a summary of discussions and EXBS events:

A. Wednesday January 4, 2006.

1. Meeting with EXBS Program Office (ISN/ECC, DoS):
  - (1) DoE with a Portal Monitor from their inventory will facilitate proposed passage of radiological portal monitor IAEA to Iraq. DoE will deliver to IAEA, and IAEA will be responsible to coordinate installation and maintenance with Iraqis.
  - (2) NEA handling all Iraq funds via direct oversight/disbursement. EXBS proposed \$1 million for FY 06
  - (3) EXBS/NADR funds being stripped out to meet other program needs, especially if countries are slow in using previously allocated funds.
  - (4) Senior DoS delegation to visit UAE & Egypt early in 2006 - - EXBS will be on both agendas and a rep from ISN-ECC may accompany.
  - (5) Development of EXBS program in Saudi Arabia is on hold due to issue of security for trainers.
  - (6) Coordinate with relevant EmbAmman offices regarding possible upgrade to Jordan portal monitors. Cost is approximately \$ each for the typical CORE/SLD model. TSA monitors the installation. CORE/SLD generally maintains three months of mining. This upgrade is not as sensitive as the Russian "A" which has a central alarm capability and a unit cost of 50K specific models, dates of installation for passage to ISN-E MEGAPORTS/SLD. Coordinate with USG agencies regarding issue TSA vs. the Russian model.)
  - (7) Tentative April timeframe for visit of MEGAPORTS & CORE/SLD. (EXBS Advisor will confirm proposed dates with Aqaba contacts. ISN-ECC will coordinate same dates with NNSA, DoE.)
  - (8) Available equipment acquisition funds for Jordan will be split, most likely, between trucks & communications for self border units (Anti-Smuggling & Border Surveillance elements Inspection tool kits and sensors (National and Aqaba Custom (ISN-ECC will research unit costs and forward recommendation to Advisor who in turn will coordinate with country team.)
2. Meeting with Matthew S. Rosenstock, Jordan Desk Officer, DoS:
  - (1) Discussed general overview of EXBS.
  - (2) Discussed general EXBS program plan for Jordan.
3. Meeting with International Counterproliferation Branch, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, DoD (Major Carl Drake, Deputy Chief; Major Keith Falcetti, Program Manager & Ms. Kathleen Thompson, Program Analyst)
  - (1) Training Needs Assessment of Jordan pending (DTRA will send verbiage for invitation cable/invite. With DATT, EXBS Advisor will identify which agencies need training, etc.)
  - (2) TNA team will produce an executive summary for dissemination to Post after meeting with local stakeholders to identify

specific agency/ministry needs.

- (3) Policy Visit will follow and will require 2-3 days.
- (4) Some training can almost immediately begin, but most/all equipment transfers happen after DTRA and Jordan execute a agreement (DTRA needs DAO/LEGATT to identify proper counter signatory authority for this agreement. DTRA will provide of agreement to Post via EXBS Advisor. NOTE: Typically, the DoD to MoD joint signatures.)
- (5) Usual timeline is Training Needs survey/policy visit - 90 days - WMD Agreement & Executive Summary - 30 Days - DTRA C 'White Paper' on country-specific program plan.
- (6) Courses can go quickly depending on desire of Jordanian officials and their willingness to impact real-world operations (several of the courses are structured around have repeat participants.)
- (7) Non-Jordanian but related issue: DTRA would like to have EXBS Advisor and DATT to explore possibility of bringing 10 Pakistani MoD officials to Jordan to receive Radiation Detection training. Perhaps the Cooperative Monitoring Center-Amman be a viable facility to support this training if the Jordan are amenable to hosting the course.

**14. Meeting with Financial Management Team (ISN/ECC @ State):**

- (1) FMT will forward new draft PS Contract to Advisor for his review.
- (2) New PS contract period/ICASS allotment will fund FSN assistant position.
- (3) Program office may replace EXBS leased vehicle with purchase.
- (4) Review of general accounts, obligated but unspent and unobligated funds for each regional state program.

**1B. Thursday January 5, 2006.**

**11. Meeting with EXBS Program Office (ISN/ECC, DoS):**

Continuation of topics discussed 4 Jan 06.

**12. Meeting with U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Coast Guard (Clare Wilson-Beam-International Nonproliferation Programs Manager):**

- (1) Advisor will meet with CO Jordanian Navy to discuss:
  - a. USCG mobile training courses.
  - b. Line of debarkation physical & authority between Nav Aqaba port security
  - c. Use/need for coastal radars
- (2) TENTATIVE: First of June 2006 - Port Physical Security/Port Vulnerability Course. (NOTE: This course will train Jordanian naval personnel to perform their own vulnerability assessments p.14 USCG MT catalogue.)

**13. Meeting with U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Customs and Border Protection (Bill Lawrence, EXBS Program Manager):**

- (1) TENTATIVE Dates for Training & Equipment: (BL & ISN-ECC workup event costs and coordinate schedules of training per and then confirm with Advisor.)
  - a. Non-intrusive Inspection Training - End of June 2006 &/or Amman's Custom House, participants: Customs, GID, and
  - b. Computer Data Analysis (6-8 laptops delivered with c End of July 2006, participants: Customs, GID, and PSD.
  - c. Subsequent to signing of WMD agreement and commitments PSD, GID, Customs their personnel will wear, 100+ PRDs and basic inspection tool kits for each Jordanian port of entry ((Spring 2006))
  - d. Overseas Enforcement Training (3) iterations in any Jaber, Aqaba, King or Sheikh Hussein) - April 2006, participants: Customs, GID, PSD (24 students in each course.)
  - e. Exchange to US to study integrated CBP operations (p DC/Baltimore or Charleston) - September 2006, 8 participant Customs, GID, PSD, JAF, and Min. Transport.
- (2) OMAN tentative dates for training: ISIT @ Charleston, SC November or December 2006.
- (3) YEMEN tentative dates for training: IBIT @ McCallen, TX - TBD.
- (4) REGIONAL TENTATIVE Dates for Training:
  - a. Combined CBP/ICE Enforcement Workshop - Fall 2006 (S Dubai or Aqaba.) (Advisor will coordinate with Shadi Al-Ma to see if Aqaba can host this event.) This is a 4-5 day scenario driven training exercise, which also covers Command Center Operations and operational interface of law enforcement and licensing professionals.
  - b. Advisor to coordinate with EmbAmman Front Office re: CSI. If there is interest in having Jordan considered for program despite the low volume of direct shipments, a front channel cable to CBP would initiate the process.

**14. Meeting with U.S. Department of Commerce/Bureau of Industry and Security/Office for International Programs (Ted Curtin, Senior Export Policy Analyst) - Cancelled, issues to be handled via teleconference Jan/Feb 2006.**

15. Meeting with U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Immigration and Customs Enforcement (Bill Puff): Confirmed concept of joint regional training with CBP as noted above. ICE and CBP will jointly develop a course outline and forward to ISN-ECC and Advisor for review.
16. Meeting with U.S. Department of Energy, MEGAPORTS program for International Programs (William Kilmartin, MEGAPORT Program Manager and Megan Dieter, Program Lead - Jordan) - Cancelled, issues to be handle via teleconference Jan/Feb 2006.

1C. Friday January 6, 2006.

Site Visit to the National Targeting Center, U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Customs and Border Protection, Reston, VA. (Note: the day spent here was extremely valuable and should be a tour participated in by future Jordanian EXBS delegations - the operationally integrated design of the center and the hourly interplay of various DHS agencies is a model worth showing to the Jordanians.

12. On January 18, EXBS Advisor met with Dr. Moayad Samman Managing Director of the King Abdullah II Design & Development Bureau (KADDB) to discuss how EXBS could assist KADDB to develop an exports controls office and capability. The Director is interested in building a system and infrastructure compliant with U.S. and international standards. KADDB is a conglomeration of private companies and government labs and activities focused on creating dual-use exports products. KADDB nominally coordinates with the Chief of Staff of the Jordanian Army, but in practical terms has a direct link to the Palace for operational purposes. Advisor explained the role and functions of the EXBS program. Advisor agreed to ensure KADDB personnel were included in future EXBS training as appropriate. Dr. Samman asked Advisor to accompany the Commercial Counselor to meet with the principals of one of the KADDB companies (Seabird Aviation) to discuss some licensing issues. (Note: The US Commercial Counselor invited Advisor to attend this meeting, deeming the intended topic of discussion was within Advisor's portfolio. The Counselor also invited a representative of the US Military Assistance Program to attend.)

13. On January 18, EXBS Advisor met with EmbAmman's Emergency Communication Task Force to discuss final recommendations for the Front Office. Post formed this committee subsequent to the recent Amman hotel attacks. The committee met to identify 'lessons learned' and recommendations for improvement of the Embassy emergency notification process. The advisor's section dealt with the formulation, personnel and standard operating procedures for an emergency operations center.

14. On January 19, EXBS Advisor met with Mr. Farhad Abid, Chief Executive Officer, Seabird Aviation Jordan L.L.C. (SAJ), Mr. Gilles Latour, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, SAJ and Mr. M. Jalal, Commercial Manager, SAJ to discuss SAJ's desire to coordinate the sale or transfer of its SB7L-360A Seeker (a human piloted aerial observation platform.) SAJ wanted to be certain to coordinate properly any sale or transfers due to the presence of U.S. components in their aircraft. They also want to establish a licensing control office that is compliant with international licensing standards since they intend on increasing foreign sales. Advisor gave a brief explanation of the EXBS program and then explained trained licensing authorities would need to make a technical determination concerning this system. Advisor offered to ask U.S. contacts to assist in making such a determination, but to do this, Advisor requested SAJ provide him a detailed and complete product and sub-component description including all component specifications and forward it to him in a MS compatible document. Advisor will then forward it as an email attachment. The SAJ principals agreed to do this. (Notes: (1) This request coupled with the similar request from KADDB constitutes a natural lead to developing and scheduling EXBS licensing training with DoC and State/DoD for munitions. (2) Embassy's Commercial Counselor and a representative of the Military Assistance Program also attended this meeting.)

15. On January 25, EXBS Advisor met with Brigadier General Dari R. Alzaben, Commander Royal Jordanian Naval Force, to discuss proposed EXBS training and assistance by the US Coast Guard (see paragraph III-1-B2 above.) BG Dari was supportive of the concept of USCG training, but requested such training be coordinated through the Chief of Staff/Training, Royal Jordanian Army. (Notes: (1) The DAO has an excellent relationship with BG Dari and GHQ-JAF. DAO will assist Advisor to adhere to proper military protocol for coordination of training. (2) Advisor provided other relevant details of this conversation to program officials via a separate email.)

16. On January 26, EXBS Advisor coordinated with Shadi Al-Majali, Commission or Revenue & Customs, ASEZA, concerning proposed EXBS training and assistance by the CBP and ICE (see paragraph III-1-B3-(4)a above.) ASEZA is willing and anxious to support this regional training and requests EXBS provided details of logistical needs as soon as possible.

17. On January 10-26, EXBS Advisor continued refinement of the draft EXBS 'Condition Precedent' for use with Jordan during 2006.

This 'Condition Precedent' will be one of the requirements placed on the GoJ for the Economic Support Fund Cash Transfer.

18. On January 1-26, EXBS Advisor assisted DOE and ISN/ECC, DOS to coordinate future visit of MEGAPORTS AND 'CORE' - Second Line of Defense assessment team to Jordan. Team plans to visit Jordan during the spring 2006. The team will assess the port of Aqaba, visit select border sites and meet with Jordanian officials to discuss Jordan's interest in being included in the DOE MEGAPORTS and CORE/Second Line of Defense Initiatives.

19. On January 10-26, EXBS Advisor assisted DOE and ISN/ECC, DOS to coordinate course preparation for the Amman "Nuclear Export Control Workshop," February 27 to March 1, 2006.

1B. TRAINING CONDUCTED DURING REPORTING PERIOD.

1. EXBS: None.

2. OTHER: None.

1C. EQUIPMENT DELIVERED DURING REPORTING PERIOD.

1. EXBS: None.

2. OTHER: None.

1D. IMMINENT TRAINING OR EQUIPMENT STATUS UPDATE.

1. EXBS: "Nuclear Export Control Workshop," February 27 to March 1, 2006.

2. OTHER: None.

1E. SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN EXPORT CONTROLS, NONPROLIFERATION, OR RELATED BORDER SECURITY.

1. NO CHANGE - Border Management Committee: Jordan is currently designing the structure and charter of this multi-agency committee. Jordanians expect this committee to be the executive-level body overseeing EXBS policy/law.

2. NO CHANGE - Border Management Task Force: Jordan is currently designing the structure and charter of this multi-agency Task Force. Jordanians expect this Task Force to report to the BMC and to be the mid-to-senior-level joint-organization responsible to coordinate multi-agency participation in and execution of the Jordanian export controls system and its related border security programs. By existing mandate, BMTF will conclude its service in the spring of 2006.

1F. OTHER SIGNIFICANT ISSUES/EVENTS.

1. EXBS: None.

2. OTHER: None.

1G. PRIMARY EXBS OBJECTIVES FOR COMING MONTH.

1. If possible, meet with at least one Jordanian official who is a member of the BMC.

2. Plan and execute the DOE workshop in Amman.

1H. STATUS OF LAST MONTH'S PRIMARY EXBS OBJECTIVES.

1. EXBS Advisor met Dr. Moayad Samman Managing Director, KADDB who is an advisor to King Abdullah concerning export issues which will be addressed by the BMC, (See paragraph III-2 above.)

2. EXBS Advisor chose not to meet with the BMTF since they are coming to the close of their charter and it does not appear as though they will receive an extended mandate.

IV. RED FLAG ISSUES.

None.

1V. Any questions or comments can be directed to Joseph C. Irvine, EXBS Advisor to Jordan & the Middle East Region, Telephone:(962 6) 590-6550/6558, Fax: (962 6) 592-7653, Email: IrvineJC@state.gov.  
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